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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO

1. AF/S DIRECTOR HAVERKAMP AND USUN ADVISER NELSON MET WITH CHISSANO AND SHARFUDIN KHAN IN NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 9 TO DELIVER REQUEST FOR AGREEMENT FOR OUR AMBASSADOR TO MOZAMBIQUE AND DISCUSS STAFFING OF OUR EMBASSY. CHISSANO SAID HE WOULD CONFER WITH PRESIDENT MACHEL ABOUT AGREEMENT ON HIS RETURN TO LOURENCO MARQUES NEXT WEEK. (HE IS LEAVING NEW YORK OCTOBER 13.) HE SAID GPRM REPLY TO AGREEMENT REQUEST WOULD BE CONVEYED TO USG THROUGH EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM.

2. CHISSANO AGREED TO ASSIGNMENT AND EARLY ARRIVAL OF A TEMPORARY CHARGE. (DETAILS ON THIS WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL.) WITH REGARD TO PERSONNEL PRESENTLY AT POST, CHISSANO SAID THAT THE MORE SENIOR OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO LOURENCO MARQUES UNDER PREVIOUS REGIME WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE BUT HE
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LEFT IMPRESSION, RPT IMPRESSION, THAT LOWER RANKING

OFFICERS AND STAFF COULD REMAIN. CHISSANO WAS VAGUE ON THIS POINT, HOWEVER, WHICH WILL NEED FURTHER CLARIFICATION. CHISSANO INDICATED THAT GPRM MIGHT ADDRESS ISSUE IN ITS REPLY TO AGREEMENT REQUEST OR WITH CHARGE UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN LOURENCO MARQUES. IN ANY EVENT, IT QUITE CLEAR THAT

PAO JACOBSEN IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE. (TIMING WILL BE DISCUSSED SEPTTEL.)

3. REGARDING THE DETAINED U.S. MISSIONARIES, CHISSANO SAID HE HAD TELEPHONED LOURENCO MARQUES ABOUT THEM BUT HAD NOT RECEIVED AN ANSWER TO HIS INQUIRIES REGARDING THEM. HE ADDED THAT HE WOULD TAKE UP THE MATTER UPON HIS RETURN TO LOURENCO MARQUES. KISSINGER

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